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1. The airfield was east of Zaporozhe (35°10'E/47°50'N), Ukrainian SSR, north of the Mokri River, south of a railroad line to Kharkov.
2. A PW detail was employed in screwing off and testing bomb fuzes in ammunition bunkers on the northern edge of the field.
3. The landing field was surrounded by red lamps. A lighthouse in the western section of the field was visible from a great distance.
4. The airfield was occupied by the following aircraft on 6 September 1949:
 - a. More than 30 jet fighters: wings rather short, swept-back and dihedral, a square tube-like instrument taking the entire length of the underside of the fuselage.

25X1 b. Twelve twin-engine Douglas planes.

Flying: Five parachutists jumped from a Douglas plane twice a week.

The kitchen personnel said that 300 men were stationed at the field. A pilot school was allegedly assigned to the airfield.

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The statements generally agree with previous observations. The swept-back wing jet fighter type in particular is confirmed whereas the previously observed fuselage step type aircraft are not mentioned. Both types are possibly at the Zaporozhe airfield as they were also observed at fields in the Soviet Zone of Germany. It is concluded that a fighter unit is being re-equipped and retrained.

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